



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

**Thomas J. Bingel, et al.**

Serial No.: **09/748,487**

Filed: **December 27, 2000**

Confirmation No.: **2844**

Group Art Unit: **2644**

Examiner: **Briney III, Walter F.**

TKHR Docket No. **061607-1650**

For: **LINE SHARING MULTIPOINT POTS  
SPLITTER AMPLIFIER-BASED COUPLER**

**RECEIVED**

**JUL 01 2004**

**Technology Center 2600**

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

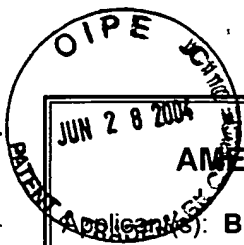
Mail Stop: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The outstanding non-final Office Action mailed *March 31, 2004* (Paper No. 4) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claims 1, 8, 9 and 10 are directly amended and claims 12-17 are added. Claims 1-17 are now pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

***AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT***

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 16-0255.



2644

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (LARGE)

Applicant(s): Bingel, et al.

Docket No.

061607-1650

Serial No.  
09/748,487

Filing Date  
12/27/00

Examiner  
Briney, III, Walter F.

Confirmation No.  
2844

Group Art Unit  
2644

Invention: Line Sharing Multipoint Pots Splitter Amplifier-Based Coupler

Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop Amendment  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED

JUL 01 2004

Technology Center 2600

Transmitted herewith is Response in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	17 -	20 =	0	X \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	4 =	0	X \$43.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>				\$145.00	\$
EXTENSION FEE	1 <sup>ST</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> 55.00	2 <sup>ND</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> 210.00	3 <sup>RD</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> 475.00	4 <sup>TH</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> 740.00	\$
Other Fees:					\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed.  
☐ A Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 is attached in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of the above fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

  
Raymond W. Armentrout, Reg. No. 45,866

June 25 2004  
Date